

REMARKS

Claims 181-216 are presented for consideration, with Claims 181, 194, 195, 205, 206, 207, 210, 212 and 214 being independent.

An editorial change has been made to Claim 199. As this change does not affect the scope of the claims, consideration and entry is respectfully deemed to be appropriate and such action is respectfully requested.

COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

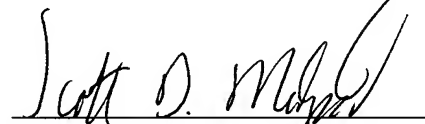
In response to the Reasons for Allowance that accompanied the Notice of Allowability mailed November 16, 2005, Applicant respectfully wishes to point out that Claims 195, 206 and 212 are apparatus claims but do not include means plus function language. In addition, it is respectfully submitted that Claim 210 does not include the same or similar features as Claims 194, 206 and 207.

CONCLUSION

Prompt passage to issue is respectfully requested.

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